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EXPERIENCE:

Breast Cancer Advocate

1999 – present: *Y-ME National Breast Cancer Organization, Washington DC Liaison.*

As a volunteer, represented Y-ME at Food And Drug Administration Oncologic Drugs Advisory Committee hearings, testifying in support of approval of two drugs Prepared and presented testimony in support of saline and silicone breast implants for those requiring breast reconstruction at several FDA Medical Devices Advisory Committee's General and Plastic Surgery Devices Panel meetings.

Served as consumer advocate on scientific peer review Cell Biology and PathoBiology panels for the DoD Breast Cancer Research Program, reviewing and commenting on grant proposals requesting funding for breast cancer research.

Participated with members of the Cancer Leadership Council in the effort to obtain coverage of oral anti cancer drugs for Medicare Part B patients. Attended Senate hearings on "MAKING SENSE OF THE MAMMOGRAPHY CONTROVERSY". Met with Congressional staff to represent Y-ME's position on legislation on breast implants. Contacted congressional offices to obtain support for the National Breast Cancer Coalition's legislative priorities.

Attended the 22nd San Antonio Breast Cancer Symposium as the recipient of an Alamo Breast Cancer Foundation grant. Presented information learned at the Symposium to members of Y-ME National Capital Area. As a member of Y-ME National Breast Cancer Organization's Position Working Group participated in developing Y-ME's statements on mammography, breast self exams, and hormone replacement therapy. Wrote columns on legislative initiatives relevant to the breast cancer community and other advocacy topics for Y-ME National Capital Area affiliate's *Images* newsletter. Participated in "A Conversation About Cancer Drug Development Between FDA and the Cancer Patient Advocacy Community". Represent Y-ME at various hearings and meetings in the Washington DC area. Participated in three Summit Conferences on Cancer Clinical Trials. Featured as a Patient Advocate in the Coalition of National Cancer Cooperatives Groups special advertising section in 6 May 2002 edition of *Newsweek* in order to accrue more patients to cancer clinical trials. As a trained peer counselor volunteer, staffed the Y-ME Hotline since 1996. Counsel patients diagnosed with breast cancer.

Submarine Directorate, Naval Sea Systems Command, Arlington, VA.

1997 – 1999: *Outfitting and Logistics Manager, SEAWOLF Submarine Program.*

Managed the procurement and delivery of all technical manuals, training, onboard repair parts, and other logistic products for this nuclear submarine program. Supervised five Navy employees, contractor personnel, and interface with other DoD and industry organizations. Briefed senior management on status of the logistics program. Responsible for developing logistics budget requirements. Recipient of the 1997 RADM Millard S. Firebaugh Award For Excellence. Received the Navy's Meritorious Civilian Service Medal.

1995 – 1997: *Technical Data and Training Branch Head, SEAWOLF Submarine Program.* Supervised the development of training courses for submarine crew members and of technical manuals. Supervised three Navy employees, and contractor personnel.

1993 – 1995: *Naval Tactical Computer Support System Project Manager, SEAWOLF Submarine Program.* Managed the effort to convert technical data for digital storage and retrieval, saving several tons of weight and much space on SEAWOLF submarines.

1987 – 1993: *Logistic Technical Data Manager, SEAWOLF Submarine Program.* Managed the acquisition of all technical manuals for the SEAWOLF Submarine Program. Presented a paper at the 1990 American Society of Naval Engineers Logistics Symposium on “SEAWOLF Onboard Logistics”. Paper was subsequently published in the March, 1991 *ASNE Journal*.

Naval Avionics Center, Indianapolis, IN

1987: *Acting Supervisor, Workload and Resource Management Division, Plans and Programs Department.*

1984-1987: *Program Analyst, Workload and Resource Management Division.*

Michael's Sundae World, Richmond, IN

1975- 1977: Self-Employed. Managed a retail ice cream store.

Naval Aerospace Medical Institute, Pensacola, FL

1967-1968: Assisted as a lab technician in neurophysiological research.

1966-1967: Physical Sciences Aide, calibrated aircraft support equipment. Did microscopic scanning of photographic slides.

Montgomery Co. Schools, Rockville MD

1965-1966: Taught seventh grade General Science

EDUCATION:

Alamo Breast Cancer Foundation Grant: Recipient, San Antonio Breast Cancer Symposium
December, 1999

National Breast Cancer Coalition Project LEAD – July, 1998

National Breast Cancer Coalition Advocacy Conferences – 1999 - 2002

NCI Breast Cancer Think Tank, 2000

Y-ME HOPELine volunteer training – October, 1996, refresher training February 2002

Various Navy/DOD schools and career related courses

MBA, Butler University, [----]

BS, Biology, Purdue University, [---]

MAJOR VOLUNTEER ACTIVITY:

Y-ME National Breast Cancer Organization Washington DC Liaison 1999 – present
Volunteer on the National Hotline

Member, Y-ME Position Working Group

Y-ME National Capital Area HOPELine volunteer 1996 – present

National Capital Area affiliate Board Member – Advocacy chair 2000 - present

Volunteer of the Quarter Award, November 2000

Nominated for NAVSEA's Distinguished Volunteer of the Year Award 1998 for HOPELine efforts

NAVSEA Breast Cancer Awareness Program speaker 1997 - 1998

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